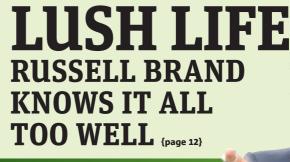


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Globetrotter takes the ball for a spin

Google map led police to remains

Arresting officer testifies as Crown closes case at Twitchell's first-degree murder trial

The mystery of what happened to Johnny Altinger was solved a year and a half after he disappeared when filmmaker Mark Twitchell, sitting in lockup, wordlessly passed a folded map to detectives.

The map gave directions to a sewer grate in an alley near the home of Twitchell's parents in north Edmonton, Det. Brad Mandrusiak said at Twitchell's first-degree murder trial.

Mandrusiak said he went to the Edmonton Remand Centre on June 3, 2010, after he was summoned there by Twitchell.

"He just passed to me across the table a piece of paper folded in half," said Mandrusiak.

The document was a Google map with step-by-step handwritten directions to a sewer grate, he said.

Twitchell offered no reason for the map, Mandrusiak said.

He said he and his partner drove to the alley, walked over to the grate



"I saw what I believed to be two pieces of human remains within the sewer itself."

DET. BRAD MANDRUSIAK

and peered into the blackness, where they found human remains. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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NAIT line gets first GreenTRIP money

Expanding the LRT to reach NAIT will officially happen by 2014, thanks to the province's first Green-TRIP investment.

Mayor Stephen Mandel announced yesterday during his State of the City speech that the province will provide \$497 million for the route, which will run from Churchill Square to Grant MacEwan University and then on to NAIT.

They have already provided \$70 million from their 2010 budget; the remaining payments will be made upon progress.

In total, \$800 million is available for the Capital Region from the \$2-billion program. • METRO

Less garbage could mean smaller bill

A council committee discussed a plan yesterday that could lower Epcor fees for Edmonton homeowners who limit the amount of garbage and recycling they leave for pick up.

The report stated that a maximum of three containers of trash and recyclables would qualify locals as "low-volume generators," and would result in their receiving lighter monthly bills.

The proposal will be further analyzed at a June 16 meeting. If approved by city council, the measure could begin next January.

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Eyeing possible speed reduction

Six communities involved in pilot project still have reduced limit
 'Significant' reduction in speeding and collisions: Report



Residents living where collisions are a problem could see a reduction in the speed limit.

The city undertook a pilot project from May to October 2010 that effected the reduction of the limit in six residential communities from 50 km/h to 40 km/h.

The evidence doesn't warrant the need for a

city-wide reduction, but transportation manager Bob Boutilier said long stretches of road or roads near school zones might be of interest in some communities.

"The evidence shows there is a connection between reducing speed and reducing collisions," said Boutilier. "But we don't want to get into a situation for entire communities ... if only specific areas need it."

Before reducing the

limit anywhere else in the city, council approval, as well as a bylaw amendment, would be needed, along with public consultation.

And while more than half of last year's 28,481 collisions occurred on main routes, Boutilier said initiatives are needed on residential streets.

Those include public education, physical reduction of wide roadways and traffic controls such as speed bumps.

Intersection

- In an effort to reduce some of the collisions on main roadways, the city has begun re-engineering intersections.
- 2 "There are a number of intersections in subdivisions with a turning lane to go right instead of stopping, and that's not effective," said transportaion manager Bob Boutilier.



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Edmontonians sound off on arena debate

More answers needed on plan: Residents Mayor hopes council will take constructive steps toward decision



As city council faces off again on a downtown arena today, citizens also want answers.

Among those is the final cost and who will see the profits.

'Î think Katz is trying to take the city for a ride, said Rick Wedman. "Maybe they made a decision too soon.'

Some say Northlands, which houses the Oilers

the downtown arena.

now, should be involved in talks with the city and the Katz Group.

"I think we do need a

new arena but I would like to see Northlands involved more, especially because they are a not-forprofit," said Îwanyshyn.

The city's 311 line re-

ceived about 3,099 arena calls and emails in the last week - 1,800 favouring it, about 200 conditionally for it and 1,000 opposed.

Mayor Stephen Mandel said the gist of today's meeting is deciding whether council wants a new arena and then moving forward on it, including asking the province for funding.

"People can't forget this is an important project, but it shouldn't be borne by our taxpayers alone," he said.

AHS reduces wait times but misses target

Alberta Health Services announced yesterday that while emergency wait times are getting shorter they did not see as many hospital and continuingcare beds open before the March 31 deadline as they would have liked.

In total, only 323 of the 360 beds scheduled to open by March 31 have been opened. AHS also opened 1,174 of the 1,300 new continuing-care beds that were scheduled to

Dr. Chris Eagle, AHS' acting president and CEO, said that the main reason for the discrepancy is mannower.

"Really, it comes down to staffing," he said. "We pushed as hard as we can. We will have those beds open shortly. We just missed that end-of-March target but we're very



close.

The average wait time in September 2010 for emergency patients in Edmonton was 15.8 hours. By the end of March 2011 the average wait time was down to 11.6 hours, show-

Community care

- New initiatives to take pressure off emergency departments include increasing home care, opening more beds, hiring nurses and rehabilitation staff, and increasing support services.
- The total cost of those initiatives is \$21.7 million, with \$6 million to expand home care.
- AHS will hire 49 new staff members in Edmonton to support home care.
- The daily average number of emergency inpatients in Edmonton last September was 80.3: by March 2011 the average was down to 41.9.

ing a 26 per cent improve-

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Residential prices down region gets from 2010

Homes sales and home prices in the Edmonton area were down in comparison with 2010, according to the Realtors Association of Edmonton.

Residential sales dropped to 1,503 in March 2011, from 1,667 in March 2010. Single-family detached homes sold for an average of \$378,912 this March — down 2.6 per

Athabasca boost from province

Conservation areas in the lower Athabasca region have been boosted by 22 per cent, as the province rolled out the first part of its draft plan for the region yesterday.

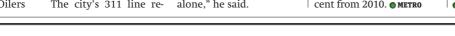
Anyone with an opinion on this portion of the draft plan has 60 days to convey it to the government.

Man gets charge

Fifty-year-old Michael Anderson has been charged with second-degree mur-

The charge is in connection with the death of 49-year-old Michael Roach outside of the George Spady Centre this week.

Anderson was also charged with possession of a weapon and a narcotic. • metro







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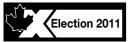
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No May-bes: She's off TV

○ Elizabeth May loses bid to join leaders' debates **○** But Greens fight on





Elizabeth May has been thwarted in her last-ditch effort to convince the courts to give her a podium at next week's televised leaders' debates.

But the Green party leader is not giving up yet. Federal Court judge Marc Nadon refused yesterday to make an emergency ruling on the case before the debates get underway. The short period of time wouldn't have allowed the court "to perform its duty in a satisfactory manner," Nadon said.

It was a body blow for the Greens, who received a major blast of publicity when May participated in the debates during the 2008 federal election.

The Greens will pursue the matter in the Federal Court of Appeal, even though the case can't be heard before the debates, May said.

But she will also be talking to her lawyer about whether there are "any legal avenues" that would allow the Greens to have the matter heard in court before then.

The consortium that runs the debates insists only parties with seats in the last House of Commons can participate.

The English-language debate is April 12. The French-language debate will take place April 14.

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WHO WILL BE PM?

Iggy tells Quebec: You choose

Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff is asking Quebec voters to determine who will be the next prime minister.

Ignatieff travelled to separatist Bloc Québécois territory in central Quebec yesterday in pursuit of his bid to unseat

Stephen Harper's Tories.
The Liberal leader has been casting the May 2 election as a two-horse race, a fact of life he says Bloc Leader Gilles
Duceppe has accepted.

Duceppe has noted that either Harper or Ignatieff would occupy 24 Sussex Drive.

"Even Mr. Duceppe understands that," Ignatieff said. "So what we've got to say to Quebecers is, you've got to choose here, folks."

Harper's style not pretty, says Layton

Jack Layton took aim yesterday at Harper government scandals.

The NDP leader provided a laundry list of alleged Conservative misdeeds, including the latest revelation that Stephen Harper hired a senior adviser who had five fraud convictions.

The prime minister has said he knew Bruce Carson had one conviction, but not others.

Layton said he doesn't believe Harper and he claimed most Canadians don't, either.

He said in Winnipeg: "Canadians are right to be asking: 'If Mr. Harper wins this election, how long will it be until the next Conservative insider is charged with fraud?"

And just to emphasize the point, he repeated his entire condemnation in French rather than alterlack layton

nating between languages as he does most often.

The barring of opponents from Tory rallies and tight background checks on those who do get in are the "signs of a closed, controlling approach," Layton said.

"I think it says something about Stephen Harper and his administration, and it's not pretty," he added.

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Jet cost dispute heats up

U.S. defence analyst says each stealth jet will cost \$73 million more than government estimates

Canada's new fleet of stealth jet fighters will cost almost double what the Conservative government is projecting, a U.S. defence analyst says.

Winslow Wheeler, of the Centre for Defense Information in Washington, injected himself directly into the federal election by providing his estimate at a news conference on Parliament Hill.

Wheeler said yesterday the unit cost of the F-35 jet will be about \$148 million per airplane — an estimate

Fight fees

The government plans to buy the 65 high-tech fighters to replace Canada's aging fleet of CF-18 jets.

The overall cost to taxpayers, at \$75 million per plane, would be about \$15 billion over 20 years, including maintenance costs, the government says.

that is in line with what the parliamentary budget officer has projected. The government says the unit cost will be up to \$75 million per jet, and has mounted repeated public attacks on the budget officer's estimate.

"Nobody on this earth is going to be buying F-35s in flyable condition at \$75 million a copy. That's not in the cards," said Wheeler, who was invited to Ottawa by the left-leaning Rideau Institute think-tank.

The untendered jet purchase is a contentious issue during the federal election campaign. THE CANADIAN PRESS





MAN IN MOTION

Racers sought for marathon of 'change'

The "Man in Motion" is looking for thousands of Canadians to help him recreate his groundbreaking trek across the country.

Yesterday, Rick Hansen launched an online con-

test to select those who will participate in a relay that will trace virtually the same route as his original tour 25 years ago.

"This is the ultramarathon of social change, and it does take the next generation to get there," Hansen said after announcing the contest at Rick Hansen Secondary School in Mississauga, Ont.

Some 7,000 people who have made a meaningful contribution to their community will get the chance to walk, wheel or run in the relay, set to begin Aug. 24 in Cape Spear, N.L.

The relay will cover 12,000 kilometres and pass through more than 600 communities in all provinces and territories, culminating — as it did 25 years ago — in Vancouver

years ago — in Vancouver.
Hansen, 53, who was paralyzed from the waist down after a car accident when he was 15, helped shift attitudes around people with disabilities and advance medicine for spinal cord injuries with his original tour.

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Strongman still defiant

- **○** Ivory Coast leader Laurent Gbagbo refusing to leave office
- French and UN forces begin strikes to support new elected leader

Ivory Coast's strongman leader Laurent Gbagbo holed up in a bunker inside the presidential residence yesterday, defiantly maintaining he won the election four months ago even as troops backing the internationally recognized winner encircled the home.

Gbagbo's comments by telephone to France's LCI television came as French officials and a diplomat said

"I won the election and I am not negotiating my departure."

LAURENT GBAGBO

he was negotiating his departure terms after French and UN forces launched a military offensive Monday. Democratically elected leader Alassane Ouattara has urged his supporters to take Gbagbo alive.

Talks about Gbagbo's de-

parture terms were ongoing yesterday evening directly between Gbagbo and Ouattara, according to a diplomat who spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to speak publicly.

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An image of Prince William and Kate Middleton with perforations that split the couple down the middle appears on a new commemorative stamp, designed by the New Zealand Post. General manager Ivor Masters said the design had been approved by Queen Elizabeth II and the stamps were collectors' items, so it was unlikely they would be torn apart for postage.

Dutch police arrest incest suspect

Dutch police yesterday arrested the father of a 12year-old girl who gave birth last month while on a school excursion, saying he is suspected of sexually abusing his daughter.

Prosecutors said they have "serious suspicions" the 52-year-old man abused his daughter, A father's arrest added another twist to the case of a 12-year-old girl who gave birth during a school trip without having realized she was pregnant.

resulting in her pregnancy.

"We don't know what exactly happened. That is why we arrested this man—to hear his side of the story," prosecutor's office spokeswoman Kirsten Smit said.

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TAKE A LEAP: SAVE THE FROGS

If you're tired of saving the whales, why not try saving something completely different?

ave the frogs! World Save The Frog Day is April 29, and if ever a species needed a hand, it's the Kermits of the world. These days, it definitely ain't easy being green. More than 200 species of frog are now extinct, and we'll be down to no frogs in no time if we don't do something.

Did you know our increasing appetite for frogs' legs alone takes 100 million frogs out of the wild each

Or that Atrazine, a pesticide, turns male frogs into female frogs at only 2.5 parts per billion? And it's only one of 18,000 pesticides registered in the U.S.

You name it, it's a threat.

Frogs are hunted for their legs, but also for the pet trade and lab dissections. Bullfrogs, native to the eastern U.S., unfortunately have the meatiest extremities, so they are shipped all over the place. When they escape into the wild, they take over, and are now the alpha frogs in 15 countries, muscling out local species.

Not only that, two-thirds of imported bullfrogs carry the deadly chytrid fungus, which further contributes to the wipeout of local frog populations.

Do I even have to make the case that frogs are cool? Is there a man out there who isn't carrying around an inner boy who used to catch frogs, name them, carry them in their pockets and use them to scare girls?

If that's not cool enough for you, frogs are amphibians, the world's oldest land vertebrates, with a pedigree going back more than 360 million years, long before dinosaurs stomped around the planet.

Other frog facts: The world's smallest is the Brazilian sapo-pulga, or flea frog, less than half an inch long (10 millimetres). The world's largest is the goliath frog, which can grow to a foot long (30 centimetres) and weigh more than three kilos! Both (of course) are endangered — the flea frog by pesticides and the West African goliath by human appetite and loss of habitat.

On World Save The Frog Day, take action by raising the consciousness of local restaurants that serve wild frogs' legs, or take in Toronto's Frog Leap-A-Thon. Here's my favourite frog folly: Students at Texas Tech will go for a Guinness World Record by organizing the largest gathering of people wearing frog masks

Or you can just raise your frog flag high. Whatever, the frogs will thank you.

Of course, there's lot's more frog-saving info at savethefrogs.com.

Save the frogs!

Read more of Paul Sullivan's columns at metronews.ca/justsaying

Worth mentioning

ROME. Italian researchers said yesterday they will dig up bones in a Florence convent to try to identify the remains of a Renaissance woman long believed to be the model for the Mona Lisa.

If successful, the research might help ascertain the identity of the woman depicted in Leonardo da Vinci's masterpiece - a mystery that has puzzled scholars and art lovers for centuries and generated countless theories.

The project, launched vesterday, aims to locate the remains of Lisa Gherardini, the wife of a rich silk merchant named Francesco del Giocondo.

Tradition has long linked Gherardini to the painting, which is known in Italian as La Gioconda and in French as La Joconde. Giorgio Vasari, a 16th-century artist and biographer of Leonardo, wrote that da Vinci painted a portrait of del Giocondo's wife.

Gherardini was born in 1479. A few years ago, an amateur Italian historian said he had found a death certificate showing she died July 15, 1542, and her final resting place is in central Florence.

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WEIRD NEWS

As long as the marriage isn't a disaster

Honeymoons aren't always easy for newlyweds, but six natural disasters?

When Stefan and Erika Svanstrom of Stockholm set out on their fourmonth-long honeymoon with their baby girl on Dec. 6, they say they got more than they bargained for: Immediately, they were stranded in Munich, Germany, due to one of Europe's worst snowstorms, he said.

But that was just the beginning.

After that, he said, they experienced the devastation of a cyclone in Cairns, Australia, and the flooding in Brisbane, and narrowly escaped the bush fires in Perth.

"We escaped by the skin of our teeth," Svanstrom said, recalling how they were evacuated in Cairns and were forced to spend 24 hours on a cement floor in a shopping centre with 2.500 others.

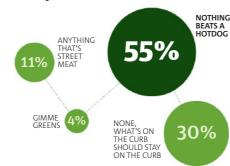
Just before they arrived in New Zealand, the 6.3-magnitude earthquake hit Christchurch and in Tokyo, they felt Japan's largest temblor since records began, he said.

Svanstrom said he also survived the devastating tsunami that hit southeast Asia in 2004.

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Local tweets



► @FACLC: Tim's coffee is about to go up. #yeg gas

prices are due to rise, and EPCOR has spiked power. You didn't have any PLANS for your raise did u?

- @Karlo_Ponty: Is it too early to get out the cruiser bike in #yeg?
- @yegnumber9: Anyone else out there cracking the top layer of ice on the potholes like they were creme brûlée? #yeq
- @SohiAmarjeet: Province supports Beaumont to widen 50 St but no support for Edmonton? That is dou-

- ble standard #yegcc #yeg j.mp/hzD7F2
- @erikacoustik: Profeminism concert in #yeq april 30th. I'm all for feminism but do the performers really have to be all women? That'll be boring.
- ▶ @vmnguyen7: You know you're in #yeg when everyone is in tshirts and shorts already, even though it's only 4 degrees outside.
- @jaayday: Another sunny, happy day in #yeq. Amazing how a little warmth can change your perspective on a place #itsnotsobad #Edmonton @IAlharez



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Beware email scams after data theft: Experts

D.C. bookseller, Best Buy, Air Miles among victims of email hack job

An online bookseller in Victoria is the latest victim in a security breach involving an American email marketing company.

In an email to customers, AbeBooks says it was warned by Texas-based Epsilon, which handles the company's email, that

email addresses of some AbeBooks clients have fallen into the hands of an unauthorized person. Epsilon says no other personal information was compromised.

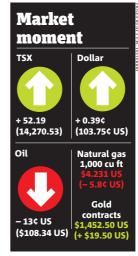
The breach was first revealed last week, when Epsilon cautioned retailer

Best Buy and other clients that millions of customers' names and email addresses had been hacked. Account information was not exposed, the company said.

Experts say that without passwords and other sensitive data, email addresses

are of little use to criminals. But they can get past a spam filter and be used to craft dangerous online attacks.

AbeBooks urges clients to be cautious if they are asked for personal or account information in an email. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Nortel's patents a hot property

Research In Motion, Apple Inc. or a consortium of bidders could emerge to counter Google's \$900-billion US bid for Nortel's patents, says patent expert Richard Ehrlickman. The patents cover advanced wireless networks such as Long-Term Evolution technology that would be of "tremendous value" to any high-tech company, he says. The auction will be held in Delaware in June. THE CANADIAN PRESS





Comical



Peter Griffin and his long put-upon, but funny, family are heading to the pages of their own comic book series. Titan Comics and Twentieth Century Fox Consumer Products says that Peter; his wife, Lois; kids Meg, Chris and Stewie; along with family dog and martini aficionado, Brian, will headline their own series on July 27. Titan says the series also will feature other characters from its television counterpart, including Glen Ouagmire. Cleveland Brown and Joe Swanson. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS





BRANDING A REMAKE ROLE

It's a dangerous business trying to recapture movie magic, but Hollywood execs keep trying

hirty years ago Dudley Moore introduced us to Arthur, a lovable but drunken millionaire playboy about to married to a wealthy heiress he did not love. "I race cars, play tennis, and fondle women," he said, "but I have weekends off, and I am my own boss."

The movie, Arthur, was a giant hit coming in fourth in the year's box office, earning four Oscar nods, winning two and spawning the number one hit Arthur's Theme (Best That You Can Do).

It's available on DVD and holds up very well, which is why it is a bit baffling that a remake of the same name is hitting theatres this weekend starring Russell Brand.

Remakes, of course, are nothing new. Hollywood has been recycling ideas since the beginning. For example, Cecil B. DeMille remade his own 1915 film The Golden Chance as Forbidden Fruit just six years later. The difference is that back then there was no portable archive of movies

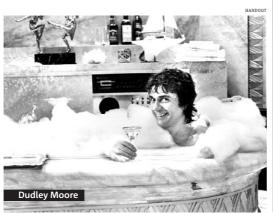
available on Blu Ray or streaming video. Older movies were essentially inaccessible to most people so a remake was simply good business. Take a good story, repackage it and hopefully do good at the box office. Later, in the prehome video years, remakes were a way to breathe some life into older movies by giving their stories a facelift with modern stars.

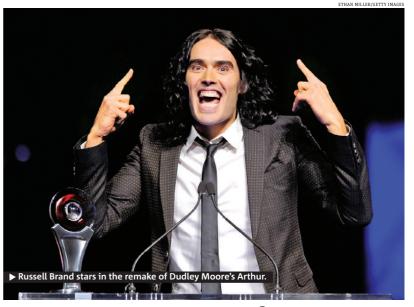
But times have changed. Now, via Netflix, On-Demand and Blu Ray, it's easier and cheaper than ever to seek out and see movies like the original Arthur.

So what's the point of the remake?

Well, for one thing, it's a perfect role for the impish Russell Brand and, for another, it's always great to see his co-star Helen Mirren on screen. And who knows? Maybe it's better than the original. It wouldn't be the first time.

With so many remakes — past, present and future — perhaps philosopher Raoul Vaneigem was right when he said, "Our task is not to rediscover nature but to remake it."





A connection to his character

▶ Russell Brand credits hard partying years as reason for success at role ▶ Admits a fondness for his co-star



For comedian Russell Brand, updating the drunken, childish millionaire made famous by Dudley Moore 30 years ago in Arthur came naturally — perhaps a little too naturally.

rally.
"I'm such a thorough actor that I did two decades of research into alcoholism just to make sure it was 100 per cent right," jokes Brand, himself a recovering alcoholic and drug addict. "The difference of course is that Arthur is a fictional alcoholic and has much more latitude for clowning and fun, and often his adventures don't lead to broken women." howling

But in updating the story for today — the immature Arthur must choose between marrying a cold but wealthy woman (Jennifer Garner) or follow his heart and lose everything — Brand was insistent that his character's bacchanalian style of living not be showing in a completely glamorous light.

"It was very important

Relationship

How being married helped him connect Character Of course, it

wasn't just Arthur's penchant for a party that Brand identified with. Another, more recent change in his life - his relationship with and marriage to Katy Perry — also helped him connect to the material, since Arthur is caught off guard when he meets a not-so-wealthy young woman played by Greta Gerwig. "My life has been changed by falling in love, so I know that whilst that is a romantic idea and in this case fictional, it's something that has happened to me," Brand says. "That's why I'm so enamored of this story."

that we established a context where the alcoholism was humorous and good fun but was not irresponsibly portrayed," he says.

"This is 2011, and it's important to see a resolution to the problem of Arthur's alcoholism, and that's one of the aspects — as a recovering alcoholic myself, I was particularly

happy with how that was rendered."

Playing opposite Greta Gerwig was a treat, Brand admits.

"We saw loads and loads of different actresses, which was all right — but of course I was already on the way to getting married then, so I couldn't enjoy it like the good old days, where auditions had a rather more primal quality," Brand jokes.

But there was something about Gerwig's reading that left an impression.

"Afterward I was sitting quietly and (director) Jason (Winer) said, 'Oh, what's the matter?' I said, 'I feel sad now that she's gone,'" Brand says. "And it's because I enjoyed playing with her. She has such a brilliant imagination, she's a great improviser with a wonderful understanding of comedy, a wide range of ideas, peculiar choices — but good peculiar."

Gerwig even admits that she's developed a serious crush on her co-star, Something Brand smarts at the notion of.

"Can't do nothing about it now. Just useless," he says. "Just a wonderful, useless thing, like a yacht in the middle of Idaho."



Big plans for Suri's birthday

● Mom Katie plans pool party, piñata for 5th birthday bash

Katie Holmes is gearing up for daughter Suri's birthday.

"She's turning five in about two weeks. She wants a piñata and her girlfriends to come over [and go] swimming. We're gonna make a cake

together," Holmes tells Ryan Seacrest during a radio interview.

"This is my favourite day of the year. So we're gonna have a little tea party, and I like to girl it

Celebrity tweets

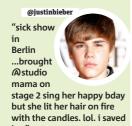


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@kirstieallev "Party girl? not so much toniaht...

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Bublé robbed during wedding

While singer Michael Bublé and actress Luisana Lopilato were tying the knot in Argentina over the weekend, their home was burglarized, according to TMZ.

No one was home at the time, and it was not revealed how much was stolen.

Despite the incident, the wedding weekend continues.

"I will not let this ruin the happiest day of my life," Lopilato told reporters.



Franco: **Twitter** is so over

After a brief foray into Twitter, James Franco is over the whole concept.

"Social media is over. Still up there. Going down. You heard it here first," Franco says, according to Politico. The actor, who live-Tweeted during his Oscars hosting gig, has made his own account private.

"My thought was, 'This is my Twitter. I can do whatever I want.' But certain companies I work with contacted me about what I was saying," he ex-

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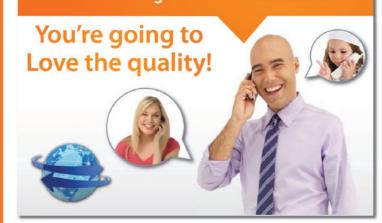


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Travel in brief



Tips on how to deal with long car trips.

- Pack several different entertainment items suited for each child. When they tire of one, they can move on to the next.
- Pack healthy snacks that your kids enjoy. Time travels more slowly when you're hungry.
- Stop and smell the roses: scenic look-outs and picnic areas are great places to let kids burn off some of that boundless ener-
- Old favourites: time flies when you're doing group activities like singing songs together, playing I Spy or seeing how many provincial and state licence plates you can count.



Sin city has a pair of new attractions related to the town's ties with organized crime
 Musuem will have wide variety of artifacts, as well as protect historical buildings
 Tropicana's 'Mob Experience' gives visitors a chance to get 'made"



Vegas embraces its Organized pasi

Speakeasies, bootleggers, gun-wielding crime bosses and tough-guy accents pay homage to Las Vegas' mob roots in a pair of new attractions showcasing Sin City's criminal history.

An interactive attraction featuring gangster memorabilia and commentary from film mobsters James Caan, Mickey Rourke and Frank Vincent opened last week on the Las Vegas Strip. And Las Vegas Mayor Oscar Goodman, a former mob defence lawyer, plans to launch his Las Vegas Museum of Organized Crime and Law Enforcement later this year. For Las Vegas, the attractions represent an unprecedented embrace of its infamous founders

"What differentiates us



from any other city is our history," Goodman said. "This is the story of America"

The desert oasis made famous by scantily-clad showgirls, ubiquitous slot machines and 24-hour happy hours has long celebrated its reputation as a haven of vice, but its relationship with the mob has taken a few hits in recent years. The city that once proudly boasted of its ties to organized crime — Goodman played himself in the 1995 mob movie Casino — has instead promoted its family-friendly restaurants and

Broadway shows for the past decade.

No more.

The Tropicana casino and hotel, a one-time hangout for organized crime now more known for its bargain-counter room rates, celebrated its new "Mob Experience" attraction last week with a red carpet party attended by the son of Tony "The Ant" Spilotro, the inspiration for the bloodthirsty Joe Pesci character in Casino.

The sprawling casino attraction features the diary of mobster Meyer Lansky, Spilotro's gun and family photos and home movies from other infamous criminals.

Visitors are greeted by life-size holograms of chat-

ty gangsters and a chance to get "made."

The publicly-funded mob museum, meanwhile, is slated to open in December at a downtown Las Vegas courthouse where a detailed mob hearing that helped expose organized crime to ordinary Americans was held in 1950.

The \$42 million museum started as an effort to save one of Las Vegas' few historic buildings. It's amassed a wide collection of gangster artifacts, including the wall from Chicago's St. Valentine's Day massacre, the only gun recovered at the mass shooting and the barber chair where hit man Albert Anastasia's life came to an end in 1957.

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Acapulco's been a tourist draw for good reasons

• The amazing cliffs are just a small part of what makes this Pacific-coast city such a hot destination

John Wayne slept here.

And so did Tarzan, or at least Johnny Weissmuller, the man who created the famous yodelling call used by every successive loincloth-clad, vine-swinger in Hollywood.

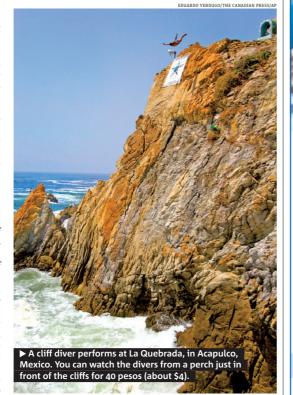
"Here" is Los Flamingos, a tiny pinkwashed stucco hotel, perched about 275 metres above the Pacific Ocean, on the edge of the cliffs that form part of Acapulco's Old Town.

"This way, that's Tarzan's round house," says Carlos Serrano, the cab driver who brought me to one of the symbols of what Acapulco once was — a playground for the rich, the famous and, most of all, for Hollywood stars.

Weissmuller, an Olympic gold-medal-winning swimmer, wasn't the first Tarzan, but he became the best known and played Edgar Rice Burroughs' jungle-raised ape man in a dozen films.

The cool wind off the Pacific, even on a 30-degreeplus day, is a reminder of why the location was great in an age before air conditioning. Now however, all the action has moved down the hill directly to the bay itself.

There, and at the Diamante resort area just southeast of Acapulco proper, are the huge hotels, condominiums and time-shares that still swell



Acapulco's native population with thousands of visitors.

It's easy to see the attraction the ancient city on the Pacific holds for visitors. Checking the winter weather forecast seems pointless when the chances are 10-to-1 it will be 30 and sunny. OK, sometimes it's 32 and sunny.

Acapulco is a city of ups and downs once you move away from Costera Miguel Aleman, the broad boulevard choked with traffic that runs along the beach. There are hillside discos where you can dance the night away and first-class restaurants that show off Mexican and international cuisine. THE CANADIAN PRESS







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Mushrooms to bring out love? From TV to book-

Moroccan South African bobotie, lentil curry from Nepal, even Mexican burritos.

When you're looking to cook up some vegetarian love, the world's cuisines offer plenty of ways to stimulate the senses.

"It's a lovely way to do

it, especially if you've been somewhere and you want to recreate a magical moment," says Troth Wells, author of One World Vegetarian Cookbook.

Oysters and steak with bearnaise have long been the standard for "romantic" meals.

But Wells says the inherent sensuality of vegetables will tickle the senses without leaving you too full to frolic after.

And then there are the spices. Considered aphrodisiacs by many ancient cultures, spices such as nutmeg are said to increase amorous function. Chili releases endorphins, while cinnamon, car-damom and cloves have historically been considered erotic scents.

"Like diamonds and perfume, anything that's ex-

pensive and requires some dangerous exploits to get it has some sexual excitement to it," she says.

Mushroom Stroganoff Preparation:

- In a large skillet over medium-high, heat oil. Add onion and sauté for 4 minutes. Add garlic and sauté for another 30 seconds.
- Increase heat to high and add mushrooms,

paprika and nutmea. Sauté for 10 minutes or until mushrooms are soft and brown.

Add wine and balsamic vinegar, stir well. Bring to a simmer reduce heat and cook for 5 minutes. Stir in cilantro, then creme fraiche. Season with salt and pepper. Serve over rice, mashed potatoes or noodles. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/ RECIPE ADAPTED FROM ONE WORLD VEGETARIAN COOKBOOK BY TROTH WELLS (INTERLINK, 2011)

stores Kary Osmond knows her way around the kitchen and has been familiar with culinary undertakings

since she was six. "I helped in my parents' Ukrainian deli in Mississauga (west of Toronto) getting platters ready for banquets and other events," says the 32-year-old host of CBC TV's show Best Recipes Ever, which airs weekdays at 3 p.m.

It's a gig Osmond has aspired to for years. She always dreamed of having a cooking school or show.

After graduating from the chef program at Toronto's George Brown College, she landed a position at a Toronto restaurant.

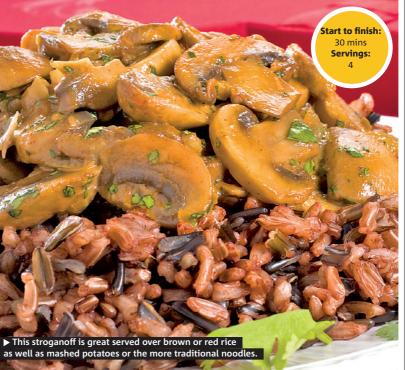
In her spare time she was an avid viewer of the Food Network Canada and Canadian Living Cooks. So it was fortuitous that she would be chosen for Best Recipes Ever.

Coincidentally, Osmond takes advantage of Canadian Living Magazine's vast vault of recipes and mealtime solutions on the show.

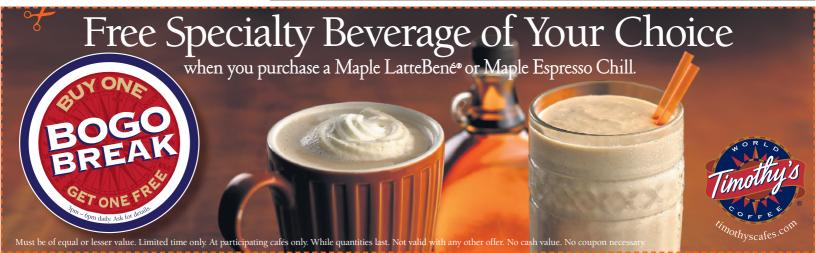
Busy cooks can now also find many of those same recipes in one collection entitled Best Recipes Ever: Easy, Affordable, Healthy Meal Solutions for Everyday Occasions (Transcontinental Books, \$29.95, paperback). It showcases all of the recipes featured on the show's first and second seasons. Cooks will find recipes for everything appetizers desserts. The Canadian press

Ingredients:

- 30 ml (2 tbsp) canola oil
- 1 medium yellow onion, thinly sliced
- 4 cloves garlic, crushed
- 500 g (1 lb) button or mixed mushrooms, sliced or quartered
- 5 ml (1 tsp) paprika
- Pinch nutmea
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) white
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) balsamic
- •30 ml (2 tbsp) fresh cilantro •90 ml (6 tbsp) creme fraiche
- Salt and ground black pepper, to taste







How to make that PowerPoint pop

pointless. Instead, script

presentation in Power-

Point," speech coach Patri-

cia Fripp recommends.

"Build it on a pad of paper,

a white board, or on a flip

chart, and then ask your-

self, where absolutely must

might be surprised how little you need it.
"If you're engaging the

audience, and you're telling

a story, you won't need

PowerPoint," she says. "But

if you're looking to illustrate a point, you might

want to have a chart, or a

graph, or a diagram. Or, if

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News worth sharing

With a good script, you

I add the PowerPoint?"

"Don't put together your

your speech on paper.





When the moment comes to deliver a sales pitch or propose a project, all too many speech-shy professionals fall back on what may be the modern world's most tedious way to present an idea: PowerPoint.

Speech coaches say there's no better tool for turning a slide show into a

"I myself like Power-Point, I just don't like what people do with it," bemoans Elayne Snyder, public speaking expert. "They put a whole bunch of stuff up on the screen, which is the worse thing there is to

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One of the biggest dangers in using a slide show in a pitch isn't what it does to your speech - it's what it does to your body language.

"When delivering the presentation, never look at the screen," Snyder stresses. "People don't want to see the back of your head."

Fixating your eyes on the audience in front of you conveys confidence, she adds. And long after that audience has forgotten the contents of slide 27 — or how quirky the animated .gif was on slide 42 – they will remember the impression they took away of you.

"A speech is all about building rapport with the audience," Fripp concurs. "If the audience is reading your PowerPoint, then they can't listen and pay attention to you."

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eople often get exactly what they pay for. This is as true in law as it is in life. Here is one story that should give people pause when they are offered legal services over the Internet.

Recently, a couple came to me seeking a second opinion following a dispute with a temporary contractor they hired, or so they thought. They had found a lawyer online, selling precedent

"contracts" at a discount. Since this couple was new to their business, they were unfortunately drawn to this lawyer's website, believing they would get a solid product without spending money on a lawyer's time

The couple explained that they had sought to hire an individual contractor to complete a few tasks. After that, they would not need him anymore. They swiftly purchased one of this lawyer's "contracts" online and gave it to the individual to sign, not realizing that what they had purchased was much different from what they actually needed the contractor to sign.

After he had completed his tasks within the first six months, the contractor's job was done. No problem there. However, the contract they had signed guaranteed him one year's work. worth of

though the individual was no longer needed, when the couple attempted to end his employment early, he demanded pay for the remaining six months, arguing that his contract was for a defined term.

The problem is that the contract they bought online did not allow them to end the job early without paying for the remaining time on the contract (something that most employment lawyers should spot as a matter of course) and, worse yet, the lawyer who sold it to them had not bothered to discuss that with them, since they never even met! As this couple now owed the contractor twice the fee they initially expected to pay him, the "contract" they bought online ultimately cost them much more than they paid for it. The full article can be read online at metronews.ca







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Oilers preview

Oilers at Flames 7:30 p.m. TV: SNET-W Radio: 630 CHED



The Oilers (25-43-11) play their second game in as many nights after completing a home-and-home series with the Canucks. The rebuilding Oilers won the opening game of that set, a 4-1 decision in Vancouver.



Mikka Kiprusoff is keeping Calgary (40-29-11) in playoff contention. The veteran goalie stopped 34 shots in leading the Flames to a 2-1 victory over the Colorado Avalanche on Sunday night. That moved the Flames to within a point of eighthplace Chicago in the Western Conference standings and two points of Anaheim. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Best in the West? Oilers unimpressed

• For second game in a row, Oilers stun conference-leading Canucks

Devan Dubnyk made 26 saves as the last-place Edmonton Oilers played giant killers once again, defeating the first-place Vancouver Canucks for the second consecutive game with a 2-0 victory last night.

Ryan Jones and Magnus Paajarvi scored for the Oilers (25-43-11), who also defeated the Canucks 4-1 last Saturday to end an 11game winless streak.

With the win the Oilers were able to pass the franchise-worst 60-point total they set in 1992-93.

The Canucks (52-19-9) have lost two in a row after winning 12 of 13 to clinch the Presidents' Trophy for first overall in the league.

The Oilers had the better early opportunities as their young team came out flying. The best chance came on a quick shot from the slot by Chris Vande Velde that beat Canucks starter Roberto Luongo up high but rattled off of the crossbar



Edmonton took a 1-0 lead with just three seconds left in the first period as Jones deflected home a Jordan Eberle shot on a power play. The goal was Jones' 18th of the season.

Dubnyk, who earned his second shutout of the season, kept the Oilers ahead with a big pad save on Alexandre Burrows four minutes into the second period.

Vancouver led 18-14 in shots but remained down by a goal through 40 minutes.

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Opinion

RYAN KENNEDY



OILERS FINALLY FIGURING OUT SCANDINAVIANS

For a franchise that has struggled so mightily in developing Scandinavian players lately, the Oilers have seen some promising developments in the late going this season among its young Swedes and Finns.

es, the same organization that unleashed Jari Kurri upon North America has been rather short in the department ever since — and Kurri hasn't played an NHL game for Edmonton since 1990.

But Magnus Paajarvi, Linus Omark and Teemu Hartikainen are changing all that.

Paajarvi was a known quantity coming into the season, a first-round draft choice counted on to bring his silky playmaking skills and bombastic speed to a squad loaded up with young talent. And though the cocksure Swede got off to a slow start, his three points in the past five games are an indicator of the chemistry he has found with Omark and the opportunity he is getting while so many Oilers heal on the sidelines. The intriguing development among the two is that Paajarvi is the one scoring the goals, not setting them up.

Throughout his career back home in

Inroughout his career back nome in Sweden, the ability to pull the trigger and finish off plays was always seen as something Paajarvi needed to improve upon. Omark, just as confident a young player, seems to have brought that out in him.

Omark, of course, has made his own headlines this season, particularly when it comes to the flash he brings to the ice. His shootout winner against Tampa — that began with a spin-o-rama before he even hit the blue-line and which occurred in his first NHL game in December — put him on the map, but his offensive spark has kept him on the radar ever since. The fact the diminutive Swede posted a 20-goal season in the offensively challenged Kontinental League last year also speaks volumes.

The Finnish Hartikainen brings more of a power game to Edmonton's lineup. His audition has been a shorter and more recent one, but he has already drawn praise from GM Steve Tambellini, who described him as a Tomas Holmstrom type of player. Based on the success the Red Wings veteran has had in his NHL career, it's a role Hartikainen should surely pursue.

With all three showing promise, the Oilers are finally represented by one of hockey's best hotbeds.

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y-Boston	79	44	24	5	6	238	189	99	20-13-3-3	24-11-2-3	5-3-1-1	L1
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Buffalo	80	41	29	9	1	236	222	92	20-16-3-1	21-13-6-0	7-1-2-0	W2
NY Rangers	80	43	32	2	3	228	193	91	19-16-1-3	24-16-1-0	7-2-0-1	W2
Carolina	79	38	30	6	5	225	232	87	21-13-3-2	17-17-3-3	7-2-1-0	L1
Toronto	80	37	32	5	6	215	243	85	18-14-3-5	19-18-2-1	7-2-0-1	L1
Atlanta	79	33	34	5	7	217	258	78	17-15-2-5	16-19-3-2	4-6-0-0	L2
New Jersey	79	36	38	3	2	165	200	77	20-16-2-1	16-22-0-2	3-6-0-1	L2
NY Islanders	79	30	37	7	5	220	250	72	17-18-1-4	13-19-6-1	3-5-2-0	L1
Ottawa	80	31	39	5	5	188	245	72	15-20-2-3	16-19-3-2	5-3-0-1	W1
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y-Detroit	79	46	23	6	4	255	231	102	21-13-4-2	25-10-2-2	5-3-2-0	W2
Nashville	80	43	26	7	4	215	191	97	23-9-5-3	20-17-2-1	8-1-1-0	W1
Los Angeles	79	45	28	4	2	214	191	96	24-12-3-0	21-16-1-2	6-3-1-0	L1
Phoenix	79	42	25	7	5	224	217	96	20-13-4-3	22-12-3-2	7-2-0-1	L1
Anaheim	79	44	30	3	2	228	231	93	24-13-1-1	20-17-2-1	7-3-0-0	L2
Chicago	79	42	28	4	5	247	216	93	23-16-0-0	19-12-5-4	5-4-1-0	L2
Dallas	79	40	28	4	7	217	224	91	21-11-3-5	19-17-1-2	3-4-2-1	W2
Calgary	80	40	29	4	7	242	233	91	22-13-1-3	18-16-3-4	4-4-1-1	W2
St. Louis	80	37	33	4	6	235	230	84	22-13-1-4	15-20-3-2	6-3-0-1	W2
Minnesota	79	37	34	3	5	198	224	82	18-17-2-3	19-17-1-2	2-7-1-0	L2
Columbus	80	34	33	5	8	210	249	81	17-18-1-4	17-15-4-4	2-5-2-1	L4
Colorado	79	29	42	7	1	219	278	66	15-20-4-0	14-22-3-1	3-7-0-0	L2
Edmonton	79	25	43	2	9	188	256	61	13-21-1-5	12-22-2-3	2-6-0-2	W2
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x — clinched playoff berth; y — clinched division title; d — division leaders; a team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OTL or SOL columns.

Last night's results

Edmonton 2 Vancouver 0 Montreal 2 Chicago 1 (OT) Ottawa 5 Philadelphia 2 Washington 3 Toronto 2 (SO) Buffalo 4 Tampa Bay 2 Dallas 3 Columbus 0 Nashville 6 Atlanta 3 Pittsburgh 4 New Jersey 2 St. Louis 3 Colorado 1

Monday's results N.Y. Rangers 5 Boston 3 San Jose 6 Los Angeles 1

CAPITALS 3, MAPLE LEAFS 2 (SO)

 Toronto, Kulemin 30 (MacArthur, Gunnarsson) 5:37 (pp)

2. Washington, Ovechkin 31 (Laich, Sturm) 11:28 (pp) Penalties — Carlson Wash (holding) 4:23,

Lashoff Tor (delay of game) 9:37, Crabb Tor (hooking) 11:17.

Second Period

3. Toronto, Lupul 14 (Kessel, Schenn) 1:35 4. Washington, Erskine 4 (Hendricks, Bradley) 12:07

Ponalties - Chimera Wash Komisarek Tor (fighting) 12:34, Brent Tor (holding) 15:26. Third Period

No Scoring.

Penalties — None

Overtime No Scoring

Penalty — Backstrom Wash (delay of game) 4:50.

Shootout

(Washington wins 1-0) Toronto (0) — Grabovski, miss; Kadri, miss;

Tonight's games N.Y. Islanders at Boston, 7 p.m. Toronto at New Jersey, 7 p.m. Florida at Washington, 7 p.m. Detroit at Carolina, 7 p.m. St. Louis at Chicago, 8:30 p.m. Edmonton at Calgary, 9:30 p.m. San Jose at Anaheim, 10 p.m. Phoenix at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

Tomorrow's games
Atlanta at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m.
Montreal at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.
Colorado at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Vancouver, 10 p.m.

Kulemin, miss; Lupul, miss, Washington (1) -Backstrom, miss; Hendricks, miss; Ovechkin, miss; Knuble, goal.

Shots Washington 9 17 14 1-41 5 5 10 1-21

Goal — Washington: Neuvirth (W,27-11-4); Toronto: Reimer (SOL,20-8-5). Power plays

(goals-chances) — Washington: 1-3; Toronto: 1-2. Referees — Tom Kowal, Kevin Pollock. Lines-men — Steve Miller, Mark Shewchyk. Att. - 19.509 at Toronto

SENATORS 5, FLYERS 2

First Period
1. Philadelphia, Richards 22 (Timonen, Giroux) 3:40 (pp)

2. Ottawa, Foligno 14 (Spezza, Kuba) 15:37

(pp)
Penalties — Condra Ott (hooking) 3:17, Holmstrom Pha (fighting), Neil Ott (instigating, fighting, misconduct) 4:59, Foligno Ott (tripping) 12:13, Meszaros Pha (interference)

Second Period

3. Philadelphia, Richards 23 (Zherdev, Timo-

nen) 15:56 (pp)

4. Ottawa, Shannon 11 (Spezza, Kuba) 18:22 (pp) 5. Ottawa, Butler 8 (Smith, Spezza) 19:46

Penalties - Hartnell Pha (holding) 2:47, Lessard Ott (tripping) 7:32, Benoit Ott (hooking) 11:32, Michalek Ott (high-sticking) 14:24, Syvret Pha (holding) 17:02.

Third Period

6. Ottawa, Spezza 20 (Shannon, Butler) 8:03 (pp) 7. Ottawa, Michalek 18 (Winchester, Hale)

18:42 (en)

Penalties — Meszaros Pha(high-sticking)

1:14, Carcillo Pha (holding) 7:12. Shots on goal by Philadelphia

Ottawa Goal — Philadelphia: Bobrovsky (L,28-13-7);

Ottawa: Anderson (W,23-20-4).

Power plays (goals-chances) — Philadelphia: 2-6: Ottawa: 3-5.

Referees — Francois St. Laurent, Don Van-Massenhoven. Linesmen — Steve Barton, Scott Cherrey.

Att - 18 397 (19 153) at Ottawa

CANADIENS 2, BLACKHAWKS 1 (OT)

First Period No Scoring.

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Penalties — Subban Mtl (hooking) 17:40,
Hamrlik Mtl (interference) 19:54.

Second Period

1. Montreal, Cammalleri 18 (Kostitsyn, Mara)
6:55

6:55
2. Chicago, Kane 27 (Brouwer, Seabrook) 10:05
Penalties — Toews Chi (interference) 0:46,
Stalberg Chi (holding), Kostitsyn Mtl (tripping) 7:42, Subban Mtl (delay of game) 12:45.
Third Period — No Scoring.
Penalties — Kopecky Chi (goaltender interference) 10:17, Kostitsyn Mtl (holding) 13:20.
Overtime
3. Montreal, Subban 14 (Kostitsyn, Cammaleiri) 1:13 (n).

3. Monuean, 3322 leri) 1:13 (pp) **Penalty** — Toews Chi (tripping) 0:37.

Shots
Chicago
9 14 20 —43
Montreal
Goal — Chicago: Crawford (L.31-17-6) Montreal
ch Price (W.37-28-6). Power plays (goalschances)@—Chicago: 0-5. Montreal: 1-4.
Referees — Eric Furlatt, Brian Pochmara.
Linesmen — Tony Sericto, Pierre Champoux.
Att. — 21,273 (21,273) at Montreal.

BLUES 3, AVALANCHE 1

First Period
1. St. Louis, Backes 30 (Shattenkirk, McDonald) 14:55
2. Colorado, K.Porter 14 (Olver, Duchene)

ald) 14:55
2. Colorado, K.Porter 14 (Olver, Duchene)
16:42
Penalties – Reaves StL (tripping) 5:13, Yip Col
(elbowing) 10:12, Koci Col, Janssen StL (fighting, game misconduct), McLeod Col, Reaves
StL (fighting) 17:33.
Second Period
3. St. Louis, Shattenkirk 9 (Colaiacovo, Mcbonald) 4:07 (pp)
Penalties – Holos Col (high-sticking) 2:27,
0° Byrne Col (cross-checking) 2:39.
Third Period
4. St. Louis, McDonald 20 (hikithin) 19:20 (en)
Penalties – Wilson Col, Oshie StL (fighting)
5:08, Reaves StL (interference) 8:31, K-Porter
Col (fighting), Stoa Col (roughing, tripping),
Olver Col, Sobotaka StL (unsportsmanilke conduct, misconduct), Jackman StL (roughing,
misconduct), Crombeen StL (instigator, fighting, misconduct), 9:17.
Shots
Colorado
12 6 9–27
7 12 10–29

 Shots
 0
 9-27

 Colorado
 1
 2
 6
 9-27

 St. Louis
 7
 12
 10-29

 Goal — Colorado: Budaj (L,14-20-4); St. Louis: Halak (W,26-21-7).
 St. Louis: St. Louis: Assistances) — Colorado: 0-2;

 St. Louis: 1-8.
 Referees — Stephane Auger, Kelly Sutherland.

 Linesmen — Scott Driscoll, Vaughan Rody.

 Att. — 19,150 (19,150) at St. Louis, Mo.

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION			
	W	L Pct	GB
Baltimore	4	0 1.000	_
Toronto	3	1 .750	1
New York	3	2 .600	11/2
Boston	0	4 .000	4
Tampa Bay	0	4 .000	4
CENTRAL DIVISION			
	W	L Pct	GB
Kansas City	4	1 .800	_
Chicago	2	2 .500	11/2
Cleveland	2	2 .500	11/2
Minnesota	2	3 .400	2

2 3 .400 1 3 .250 21/2 WEST DIVISION GB

W L Pct 5 0 1.000 2 3 .400 2 3 .400 Texas Los Angeles Seattle Oakland 1 3 .250 31/2

Yesterday's results

Toronto 7 Oakland 6 (10 ings)

Cleveland 3 Boston 1
Kansas City 7 Chicago White Sox 6 (12 ings) L.A. Angels at Tampa Bay

Minnesota 5 N.Y. Yankees 4 (10 ings) Texas 3 Seattle 2

Monday Results

Baltimore 5 Detroit 1 N.Y. Yankees 4 Minnesota 3 Texas 6 Seattle 4

Today's games
L.A. Angels (Haren 0-0) at Tampa Bay (Hel-lickson 0-0), 1:10 p.m.

Seattle (F.Hernandez 1-0) at Texas (C.Wilson

0-0), 2:05 p.m. Chicago White Sox (Buehrle 1-0) at Kansas City (Francis 0-0), 2:10 p.m.

Boston (Matsuzaka 0-0) at Cleveland (Talbot 0-0), 7:05 p.m.

Detroit (Verlander 0-0) at Baltimore (Bergesen 0-0), 7:05 p.m. Minnesota (Pavano 0-1) at N.Y. Yankees (Gar-

cia 0-0), 7:05 p.m. Oakland (Braden 0-0) at Toronto (Litsch 0-0), 7:07 n m

SOCCER

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Philadelphia New England New York Chicago Kansas City Toronto Columbus D.C. United

Los Angeles Real Salt Lake

Chivas USA Portland

Tomorrow's games Boston at Cleveland, 12:05 p.m. Oakland at Toronto, 12:37 p.m. Minnesota at N.Y. Yankees, 1:05 p.m. Tampa Bay at Chicago White Sox, 2:10 p.m. Detroit at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m.

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Dallas 3 0 2 1 1 5 Note: Three points for win, one point for tie.

Tonight's game New England at Vancouver, 10 p.m.

UEFA EASTERN CONFERENCE

CHAMPIONSHIP LEAGUE Yesterday's results Schalke 04 5 Internazionale 2 Real Madrid 4 Tottenham Hotspur 0

CONCACAF

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

Yesterday's result Saprissa vs. Real Salt Lake

SCOTLAND

PREMIER LEAGUE Yesterday's result

Rangers 2 St Johnstone 0

NBA

Cleveland

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	G
y-Chicago	57	20	.740	-
y-Boston	54	23	.701	
y-Miami	54	23	.701	
x-Orlando	49	29	.628	81
x-Atlanta	44	34	.564	131
x-Philadelphia	40	38	.513	171
x-New York	39	38	.506	1
Indiana	35	43	.449	221
Charlotte	32	45	.416	2
Milwaukee	31	46	.403	2
Detroit	26	51	.338	3
New Jersey	24	53	.312	3
Washington	21	56	.273	3
Toronto	21	56	273	3

16 61 .208

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-San Antonio	59	19	.756	_
y-L.A. Lakers	55	21	.724	3
x-Dallas	53	24	.688	51/2
x-Oklahoma City	51	26	.662	71/2
x-Denver	47	30	.610	111/2
x-Portland	45	33	.577	14
New Orleans	44	33	.571	141/2
Memphis	44	34	.564	15
Houston	41	37	.526	18
Phoenix	37	40	.481	211/2
Utah	36	41	.468	221/2
Golden State	34	44	.436	25
L.A. Clippers	31	47	.397	28
Sacramento	23	54	.299	351/2
Minnesota	17	61	.218	42
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v - clinched division.

Last night's results San Antonio 97 Atlanta 90 Cleveland 99 Charlotte 89 New Jersey 107 Minnesota 105 Orlando 78 Milwaukee 72 Orlando 78 Milwaukee 72 Washington 107 Detroit 105 Boston 99 Philadelphia 82 New York 131 Toronto 118 New York 131 Toronto 118 Chicago 97 Phoenix 94 L.A. Clippers 82 Memphis 81 Sacramento 104 Houston 101 Oklahoma City 101 Denver 94 Golden State 108 Portland 87 Utah at L.A. Lakers

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WORLD MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

At Regina ROUND ROBIN Yesterday's results Ninth Draw Germany 7 Sweden 6 (extra end) Scotland 5 China 3 Switzerland 7 Norway 4 U.S. 8 Czech Republic 4

Draw 10 Canada 11 France 5

Norway 7 U.S. 6 South Korea 10 Denmark 8 Switzerland 8 Czech Republic 6 (extra end) **Draw 11**

Germany vs. South Korea; Sweden vs. Den-mark; France vs. China; Canada vs. Scotland.

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FINAL FOUR

At Houston NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP Monday's result Connecticut 53 Butler 41



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Engine performance

A mix of new and old can be found beneath the Touareg's freshly formed hood. A 280-horsepower 3.6-litre V6 (TSI) carries over as the base gasoline engine.

Still optional is a 225-horsepower 3.0litre V6 turbo-diesel (TDI) that makes 406 pound-feet of torque.

The TDI is rated at 11.9 l/100 km in the city and 8.0 on the highway, compared with 12.3/8.8 l/100 km for the TSI.

Wider, shorter and lighter

The Touareg is now a bit wider, but shorter than before and has been stretched by about 3.8 centimetres between the front and rear wheels.

However, the greatest singular advancement is in the 160 kilograms that have been excised from the vehicle. Most of the seven-per-cent weight reduction comes from lightening the platform and powertrain as well as a number of key suspension components that are now constructed of aluminum.

4MOTION

All Touaregs come standard with VW's dualrange 4MOTION all-wheel-drive setup that in normal driving situations maintains a 40:60 front-to-rear torque bias. The system also features a locking centre differential that fixes the torque split to maximize traction over slippery terrain.

For 2011, Comfortline, Highline and Execline trim levels are offered. All feature a wealth of luxury content.



By comparison

Volvo XC60 AWD

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Rodney Dangerfield famously complained that he never received a scintilla of respect.

În terms of overall popularity, the Volkswagen Touareg has had the same issue with its 2004-modelyear launch.

Perhaps it's the nearly unpronounceable name (Touareg, or Twah-regg, refers to a nomadic Saharadwelling tribe), its low-key styling or a price tag that outdistances many of its luxury competitors.

But it could also be that people shopping for vehicles in this bracket are reluctant to spend in excess of 50 large for a Volkswagen, regardless of how proficient it is at churning up

These folks can crossshop VW's Audi offshoot

for the five-passenger, V6equipped Q5 sport ute that offers upscale brand name cachet for about the same price as a new Touareg.

Fortunately VW has managed to attract sufficient fans of the marque to invest in an updated second-generation wagon that

wraps its rugged underpinnings in a more attractive

package. Now that the slimmeddown Touareg is more attractive and less thirsty, Volkswagen can likely expect more look-sees and a less of the Rodney Dangerfield treatment.



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Have the current gas prices got you down?

Don't worry, there are easy ways to combat the price at the pump

Read on for some money-saving tips

Getting stuck in traffic can push even the most mindful motorists beyond the normal bounds of safety and fuel economy.

Did you know that trying to make up time in traffic with frequent speed changes, quick starts, hard braking and other uneconomical driving habits can increase your fuel consumption by up to 25 per cent or around \$500 a year in wasted fuel?

In tests, variations in speed caused a 20 per cent increase in fuel consumption in one test and 48 per cent in another, even though the average speed for all drivers remained at 80 km/h.

Drivers who maintain a steady speed save the most fuel — and money — by far.

Not only will you consume less fuel and save money, traffic flow will be smoother, your exhaust emissions will be lower and driving conditions will be safer.

Another thing that helps maintain a steady speed, of course, is using cruise control for highway driving During city driving, where about half of the fuel you consume is used to accelerate your vehicle, you can conserve as much as 15 per cent by pressing the accelerator pedal gently and gradually.

where it is safe to do so.

However, on hilly terrain and where traffic conditions permit, you will consume less fuel by allowing your speed to drop slightly when you travel uphill and building your momentum again when you roll downbill

Did you know that hard braking causes fuel use to go up? This happens when a driver keeps a foot on the accelerator — feeding fuel to the engine — then brakes at the last minute. It's more fuel efficient to drive smoothly by letting off the accelerator early and easing on the brakes.

NEWS CANADA



Think about the resistance

If you want to get the most mileage out of a tank of gas, consider investing in low rolling resistance tires.

Rolling resistance, is a measure of the force that it takes to move your tires forward on the road.

As you travel along, the weight of your vehicle "deforms" your tire tread where the rubber meets the

road.

The resulting deformity generates heat between the tire and the road, which is then wasted in the form of heat as the tire rotates. The only way for your engine to make up for the lost energy is through consuming fuel.

The heavier your vehicle, the more energy it burns to compensate. Who knew? If new tires are on the horizon, seriously think about low rolling resistance tires

Some tire manufacturers are now boasting a 20 per cent reduction in rolling resistance through high-efficiency tires that reduce fuel consumption by about four per cent.

NEWS CANADA

Drive lean & clean

By adopting these driving behaviours, you can cut back on gas, save money, curb harmful emissions and improve safety on our roads

- 1 Be mindful: If you have never driven with fuel efficiency in mind, now is the time to start. Make it a priority and watch your pennies pile up. You could save as much as \$500 a year in fuel costs and cut your carbon dioxide emissions by over 1,000 kilograms.
- Recognize your driving style and modify it: Are you aggressive, rushed, average or fuel-efficient? Aggressive drivers focus on speed, rushed drivers focus on saving time, average drivers react to changes in traffic whereas fuel-efficient drivers are always mindful of how their driving will affect their fuel consumption
 - Avoid unnecessary idling: Some Canadians spend about four per cent of their annual fuel consumption idling their



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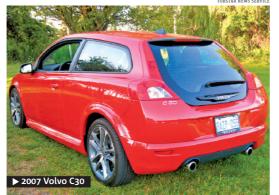
○ Volvo C30 owners seem unanimously impressed **○** Very few issues or complaints

SECOND GEAR



The C30 is Volvo's compact three-door hatch, which the Swedish automaker launched on Canadian shores for 2007 to battle the likes of the Audi A3, Mini Cooper, VW GTI, Mercedes B200 and others.

Available solely as a four-seat model with front-wheel drive, the C30 brought Volvo's reputation for safety, uniqueness and refinement into the upscale hatch segment. In the used market, shoppers can consider one of two engines for their C30. Standard was a 2.4-litre inline five-cylinder backed by a five-speed manual or five-



speed automatic. This particular C30 designation was named the "2.4i," and it developed 168 horsepow-

The C30 "T5" got a turbocharged 2.5-litre five-cylinder engine, good for 218 horsepower and fitted with a six-speed manual. Newer models got a slightly-increased 227 horsepow-

er. Available or standard feature content included a tilt and telescoping steering wheel, a sunroof, automatic climate control, Volvo's unique waterfall console, antilock brakes, full power accessories, a driver computer, and an 8-speaker stereo with satellite radio.

What Owners Like

Ride and handling are almost unanimously highly rated amongst C30 owners.

Phrases like "fun to drive," "exciting" and "sporty" were frequently used as descriptors. Shifter feel and a solid, nicely-trimmed cabin are also raved about. One owner in an online forum even called the C30 "the best car nobody's ever heard of."

What Owners Hate

Heavy doors, a long reach for the seatbelts and hefty fuel consumption with the turbo engine are the more typical owner complaints.

Common Issues

The C30 isn't a sales superstar — so the availability of consumer-reported reliability information from the usual sources is fairly sparse.

Some digging revealed age-related complaints about broken floor-mat anchors, easily-chipped paint,

a rattly rear window, and a trim-piece around the parking brake that often becomes loose. Nothing major.

Avoid any model with a manual transmission that exhibits grinding or slippage, which could indicate a problem with the clutch or gearbox.

The Verdict

End of the day, a well-maintained C30 should prove unique, fun, enjoyable and reliable.





EVERYONE LEARNS FROM THEIR MISTAKES, RIGHT?

Auto Pilot MIKE GOETZ

Humans learn from mistakes — it's part of our survival strategy. This is why disco only happened once, aided of course, by John Travolta's inability to squeeze back into his white pants.

he meltdown of the auto industry in 2008 wasn't entirely the industry's fault, but its subsequent reincarnation affords us an opportunity to see if it, too, has the ability to learn from past mis-



steps. It obviously had to downsize to meet lower "recession-style" demand, and in cases like Chrysler and GM, just to stay afloat.

But even with modest sales in 2009, lots of automakers turned nice profits. With lower operating costs they didn't have to sell so many units, and by not "over producing" they didn't have to sell those vehicles at "fire sale" prices. Not only is this a better profit model, it's better for the automaker's long-term brand image and health. Can they stick to this plan?

I think most

automakers are just

trying to adjust to

expected rebound

the softer-than-

of the economy.

The telltale signs of oversupply are incentives zero per cent

financing, manufacturer rebates, employee

pricing, bob-ble-head dolls for the first 1,000 customers. Automakers don't like incentives. but it's hard to look the other way, when you got product piling up and/or competitors eating your lunch. We're seeing more and more incentives creep back into the market, including many now based on fuel discounts.

Short-term fix or a slippery slope? We'll see. I think most automakers are just trying to adjust to the softer-than-expected rebound of the economy.

Many are sticking to their guns, however, about not "over producing." GM, for example, had a problem keeping up with Chevrolet Equinox and GMC Terrain demand, Both are built at the company's plant in Ingersoll, Ont.

But instead of throwing big money at another plant, it addressed the situation with two shrewd moves - adding an Equinox/Terrain line at its Oshawa facility, and introducing the Chevy Captiva, a "fleet only" Mexican-built crossover based on the recently departed Saturn Vue.

Another automaker lesson learned since 2008, is don't alienate your suppliers. When automakers downsized, the supplier community suffered collateral damage. The automakers didn't shed too many tears over this, but now that they're in recovery mode and need more parts,

the auto parts suppliers aren't too quick to shake hands and make nice.

And then there is the leasing lesson: Ford, GM and

Chrysler and others stopped leasing vehicles even before 2008, as they failed to manage the risks of using low, monthly leasing payments to move vehicles off lots. To get low leasing rates, they had to artificially inflate the value of what the vehicle would be worth as a used vehicle at lease end.

The automakers' inhouse leasing companies were often on the hook for these discrepancies, which was exacerbated by a big batch of identical cars entering the used market at the same time, further depressing values.

Ford, GM and Chrysler are, or will soon be, tipping their toes back into leasing, and we wonder how disciplined they will be this time around.

I'm guessing, way more disciplined, but you never





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Yesterday's answer ▶

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Dear Marie, Just a small poem to thou from thee. Ur amazing it is plain to see, I am very happy that U and I spells we. XOXO GEMINIGUY

Today's horoscope

T Aries March 21-April 20 Get it together. Create something amazing over the next day. ¥ Taurus April 21-May 21 Oth-

ers may worry about the future, but you know that what's to come isn't yet written. II Gemini May 22-June 21 lt's

always important to get your timing right, and now is the time to make your mark. **⊙ Cancer June 22-July 22** Force

vourself to make an effort. The results will be surprising, and the rewards will be amazing.

Ω Leo July 23-Aug.23 Find new ways to explore your world. Do something exciting.

MP **Virgo** Aug. 24- Sept. 22 While others take risks and look foolish, you weigh odds and make the right moves. ← Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Sometimes, you have no choice but

to follow someone who has a better proposal. It's that time. M Scorpio oct. 24-Nov. 22 It's not often that you act on impulse, but you'll do so today. It's all or nothing.

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> ₹ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 Be creative and try something new. Aim high, then go higher.
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> V Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 If a friend offers you advice, you would be wise to pin back your ear lobes and listen.

^e Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 The first idea that comes to mind is the one you must follow, no matter how strange. H Pisces Feb. 19-March 20. If you're brave enough to follow your gut, you might make a fortune. SALLY BROMPTON

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INTERFAITH STATEMENT ON

Homelessness

Affordable Housing

On March 17, 2011 twenty-three faith leaders from different religious traditions formally pledged their support for Edmonton's 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness.

e, leaders of different religious and spiritual communities in Edmonton and area, come together to express our shared commitment to eliminate homelessness in our community. We support the challenging goals of A Place to Call Home: Edmonton's 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness.

Over the years, religious and spiritual communities have done much to meet the needs of men, women and children living in poverty in our community, and have often been leaders in helping to create affordable housing opportunities for those in need. This historical engagement provides a solid foundation for us to do even more both now and in the future.

The successful launch of Edmonton's 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness provides an historic opportunity for us to move beyond previous short-term strategies of managing homelessness, and to commit to a long term goal of actually eliminating homelessness in our community. Leaders from government, business, community, faith, and social service sectors have come together in common cause to develop and launch Edmonton's 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness. This shared commitment has been a major factor in the successes achieved so far in the first year of the Plan's implementation.

CALL TO ACTION

We call for our religious and spiritual communities to work together more closely and make a major contribution to the success of this Plan. Our religious and spiritual communities share important values: respect for human dignity, solidarity with those who are poor and vulnerable, and an affirmation of the importance of inclusive and welcoming communities where individuals and families can thrive.

We recognize that safe, stable, and affordable housing is a key part of this human thriving. Everyone needs a place that can truly be called home. Religious and spiritual communities and individual community members are present in every part of the city, and we commit to continue and expand our presence in neighbourhood and city wide homelessness and affordable housing initiatives.

We commit our own religious and spiritual communities to continue to support present initiatives, to find new and creative ways to take action in support of Edmonton's 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness and address the issues of homelessness and affordable housing in our communities. We have prepared a Congregational Housing Action Guide to support and encourage our congregations in addressing these issues in an effective manner.

We invite everyone from all sectors of society in Edmonton to become part of this important initiative to eliminate homelessness by committing to learn more about the causes of homelessness in our city, and to participate in specific actions in support of our homeless brothers and sisters in a spirit of solidarity and mutual respect.

We call upon leaders of all orders of government to continue their public leadership for Edmonton's 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness, and to provide the necessary program funding in the years ahead so that the ambitious goal of eliminating homelessness can be truly realized.

Bishop Jane Alexander

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